

# THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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### THE WHOLE ARMOUR OF GOD IS COMPLETE EQUIPMENT

#### Putting It On Is Safety First

J. P. Hughes

In article number one we spoke of King Ahab's defeat, how he went to battle with a false impression on his mind because he rejected the Word of God and was persuaded by a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. We also commented on the importance of putting on the "whole armour of God" and spoke of the use and purpose of the "gird of truth" and the "breastplate of righteousness" in the spiritual warfare. In this article we wish to continue to emphasize the importance of putting on the "whole armour of God" and speak of its other integral parts.

#### Spiritual Footwear

The next part of the Christian armor that we will notice is the "footwear", as that comes next in order after the "breastplate of righteousness" is put on. "Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace." Eph. 6:14, 15.

In ancient days the shoes or sandals were not worn only in journeys or military expeditions. This is proof that the "footwear" was part of the military equipment; therefore, Paul shows that the feet must be properly shod in the spiritual warfare. Among oriental people, in the days of old, a shoe was delivered in transferring property, and the Scripture shows it to be a token or title of conquered territory. "Over Edom will I cast out my shoe (take possession and tread it down as it had trodden Israel as an invader)." Psa. 60:8.

"Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee." Gen. 13:17. This was God's message to Abraham, concerning the land of Canaan that was to be his, but as a token of ownership he should walk thru it. God told Joshua after he had been made leader of the children of Israel, that He would give him all of the land of Canaan that the sole of his foot should tread upon, just as He had promised Moses. So it is in the spiritual Canaan—we may have all the territory we cover.

Having the feet shod with the "preparation of the gospel of peace" denotes preparedness for the good warfare produced by the gospel, which brings peace within, though there is conflict outside with Satan and the world. The Christian life is a battle-ground, therefore, to be at peace with God, we must ever be at war with Satan. Jesus promised that His disciples should tread on serpents, which of course means that as a conqueror they would tread down the evil powers of Satan and capture territory that he possessed. "And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils." Mark 16:17. When the feet are shod with the "preparation of the gospel of peace", the good soldier can walk into the devil's territory and take from him those whom he possesses and claim them for God.

#### The Shield of Faith

"Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked." Eph. 6:16. The shield used in carnal warfare was an instrument to be carried in front of the warrior for protection to the whole body, and was therefore, a strong defense of much importance to the soldier. So the "shield of faith" is of great moment in the spiritual warfare. It is considered above all, because it protects all and shields those who have put it on against ALL the fiery darts of the enemy. The Bible teaches that the trial of faith is more precious than gold tried with fire; and that we should not think it strange concerning the fiery trials which are to try us. This shows that God will permit the devil to hurl his fiery darts at the true soldier, but with the shield of faith as a defense, he is saved from doubt and is kept by the power of God thru faith even though he is tried as by fire.

"Without faith it is impossible to please God", but with it we can be a

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### ABOUT 100 HAVE BEEN SAVED

FITZGERALD, Ga.—We thank God because we have great victory in our midst. We have had revivals at all the old churches in our district, and somewhere around one hundred have been saved in the last six months, about eighty-five filled with the Holy Ghost and one church established since the Assembly. Brother S. C. Chambers and family spent about three weeks at Pitts, Ga. The Lord gave us a new church over there with twenty-nine members and many others are looking this way.—District pastor, J. A. Hipps, 716 E. Suwannee St.

### There Is Work To be Done In Jamaica

MORGAN DIST., Borobridge, Jamaica.—I wish to sound a note of praise through the Evangel. I am glad I am in the good old way. It just suits me and I am happy in it. Glory to God! I am on the foundation, in the Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth. Joel tells us of the promise of the Spirit; in Acts we read about the coming of the Spirit; 1 Cor. 12:1-11 tells us about the gifts of the Spirit. I have not all of these blessings, but I am seeking for more. I belong to the Church of God where we can speak in tongues, shout and dance.

Dear readers, we need your prayers. I am going through. Praise the Lord! I ask the folks in America to hold Brother Thomas up to the Lord. He means to win Jamaica for God. If you want to work for God, come to Jamaica. If it was money that Brother Thomas was here for, we could not keep him for we haven't it, but we know it is the will of the Lord. Pray for the work in Jamaica.—Your brother in Christ, W. Turner.

### Many Sick Healed

MT. VERNON, Ill.—I am really praising God for the good plan of salvation, for saving and sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost and fire. I praise Him for His healing power. About two weeks ago our year old baby was very ill with yellow jaundice and the Lord wonderfully healed him.

I will also make mention of a two and one-half weeks' meeting that has just closed. Brother L. G. Rouse came and preached the first week and a half. The Lord wonderfully blessed. Many sick were healed during Brother Rouse's stay. The meeting continued, our pastor, Brother John O. Yates, going the preaching. Thirty-two were saved, eighteen sanctified and six received the Holy Ghost. Eight were added to the Church and more are to follow. I must say a few words in regard to our pastor. I believe we have one of the best pastors the Church of God has, a man that puts the Gospel out just as it is. This is the fourth year Brother and Sister Yates have been with us and we are not tired of them yet. We covet your prayers. Remember Mt. Vernon church when you pray.—Curtis Austin, clerk.

### SOULS ARE STILL COMING IN

BOROBIDGE, Jamaica.—I want to speak a few words concerning the work in Jamaica. We are getting along fine. We have three churches in Kingston and have fourteen in the country. I built four of these churches myself. Thank the Lord for what He has done through His servant. Souls are still coming in. We have two good preachers who came in from another holiness body. Many backsliders have been reclaimed.—Yours for every Word of God, A. J. Davidson, pastor.

### The Church of God Evangel

M. W. Letsinger

The Evangel is nineteen years old. The Evangel is nineteen years old. We are truly glad to say that she is alive yet. While she has had many stormy seas, yet the Lord has had respect unto her and has blessed her, to carry the "Glad Tidings" that has brought joy to thousands of hearts. Some, no doubt, were almost ready to give up the struggle and go down, but when the Church of God EVANGEL got there, they took courage and pressed forward.

No doubt out what there are several in Heaven today who have been encouraged by the Church of God Evangel. I am thinking now of some who, in days gone by, have written to us thru the pages of the Evangel, and today are rejoicing around the Throne, watching and waiting for you and I to finish our work here below and join them 'up there', where partings will be no more.

The writer has been a subscriber all the days of the Church of God Evangel. I remember the very first issue that was published and sent out; when a copy of it reached my mailbox, it was welcomed with joy. I remitted the subscription price at once, and from that day to this my subscription has never expired, and at one time I had it paid for five years in advance.

As we said in the outset—the Evangel has had some dark periods. It has seemed as though she would sink and go down, but in some way the Lord would appear on the scene and speak peace, and the sea would become calm and the sun would shine again—then, SURELY God is blessing this paper, she spreads her white wings and flies over the land, to bless the inhabitants.

Hundreds and thousands of letters

have poured in here at the Church of God Headquarters, telling of some of the blessings that the Evangel has been. Many hungry hearts have waited and longed for her arrival; some who were tortured with fevers and sufferings, have, on receiving the Evangel, been healed. Not that there was virtue in the Evangel, but HER PRESENCE would so inspire faith that they would be healed. Then, there are others who cannot go far away from home; some of them are confined to their room or even their bed. They never get to hear a song or a prayer; they have no pastor to visit and encourage them, but THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL never fails to come, as regular as the week rolls around, always bringing life and sunshine to them. Oh how sad many would be, should the Evangel cease to go! But we are not expecting her to cease, but are expecting her to continue to make her visits right on until Jesus comes.

The outlook for the future is very bright. God is surely pleased with the paper, in fact, it is His paper. It was dedicated to Him in the beginning and no one has ever had any right to a claim on her, more than to be a part with her in God's great Harvest Field. She is the official organ of the Church of God. She would have gone down long ago had it not been that the Lord helped and blessed her.

Each morning at 8:30 everything in the Publishing House becomes quiet, and each one that works here climbs the stairway to the Prayer Room and there we spend thirty minutes in worship and in prayer. Then again, after the paper has been wrapped and placed into the mail bags we

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### In Honor Of The Evangel's Birthday

Vivian Haworth

On the very first day of March, they say, Is the Church of God Evangel's birthday. Although many birthdays have past, We hope that this one is not the last.

Yes, in years it is still growing old, But its pages are new, like gold. Every week, when taken off the press, It is arrayed in a pretty new dress.

Its dress is made of many good pieces, Such as testimonies, articles and speeches; Trimmed with headings that look like lace, The most attractive is on its face.

It is "THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL," Of this little paper we like to tell. We find there's always a cheering word, For every saint who works for the Lord.

On one of the leaves we often see A NOTICE which is a gospel plea; Calling for someone to come and tell, Of the One who died to save from hell.

TESTIMONIES telling of the One who died, That everyone might be sanctified; Of the Holy Ghost, the precious dove, Which Jesus sent us from above.

An OBITUARY too, of some dear one, Who with this life and toil is done. They've gone to the beautiful shining shore, Where sad partings come no more.

We also like to see REPORTS of meetings, And read of blessings many are receiving; We know that God is on the throne, And into sad hearts His light hath shone.

We also see ARTICLES very encouraging, Telling each one to go on rejoicing; Making us realize God is not dead, Then let us look up and go right ahead.

Let each one pray that this little paper, Will still keep getting better and better; And let us all strive to do our part, That it might cheer some poor, sad heart.

### WE SHOULD LIVE GODLY

MASTIC POINT, Andros Island.—(Feb. 13)—I want to sound a note of praise thru the Evangel to my blessed Redeemer for what He is to me. I thank God that this morning still finds me saved from sin, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. O I am so thankful from the depths of my soul this morning. I thank God for this wonderful plan of salvation as He declares in Heb. 9:28, "and unto those that look for him the second time shall he appear without sin unto salvation." Titus 2:11. Why? For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men, teaching us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts. We should live soberly, righteously and godly in this world, this present world. Thank God for those words of comfort. Pray for me that I may stay true and humble and in this holy way till Jesus comes or calls.—Sister Cath. Simons, clerk.

### Brother Thomas Is Appreciated

MORGAN BOROBIDGE, B. W. I. (Jan. 12)—I am glad to send in a report of the work in Jamaica, also I wish to say something about this good man, Brother Thomas. He came to our place the 8th of January, and I want to say he is a true man of God and preaches the Word from Genesis to Revelation. A sister Tarlison was suffering with toothache, she could not rest in any position. I prayed for the Lord to heal her in Jesus' name and she began to say, Praise the Lord! We sang a hymn and she arose and began dancing. The Lord blessed us wonderfully, and she was healed. Bless the Lord! I mean to live for Jesus, I mean to die for Jesus. I mean to preach the Gospel wherever I go. We, the saints in Jamaica are very poor, but we mean to live for Jesus. I have a church in charge, the Lord is blessing and the sick are being healed. Pray for me that the Holy Ghost may have right of way in my life.—Yours in Christ.—Walter Turner.

### What a Wonderful Savior!

SUMNER, Ill. (Dec. 27) — I promised the Lord I would write to the Evangel and tell the people what the Lord has done for me, and how He saved me, sanctified and filled me with the precious Holy Ghost, and I spoke in tongues, according to Acts: 2:4.

I want to praise Him for healing our little boy of croup. What a wonderful Jesus we have and can go to. He can supply our every need, if we only trust Him and obey. I want all the saints to pray for me that I will have more faith and do more for my blessed master this year than I have in the past. O I want to be humble and true to the end. I want you to pray for my unsaved husband and children that they will walk in the light before it is too late. I know the Lord hears and answers prayer. I promised the Lord if He would heal our son I would testify of it, and I'm glad to say the work was done. Pray for me. — Mrs. Mary Baker.

### REPORT OF FOX CHURCH

KISTLER, W. Va. (Jan. 21)—I am sending the report of our church work. We had a wonderful meeting at Fox, W. Virginia. Brother McCane, our pastor, held the meeting. He had good success. Seven were saved, two sanctified, four sought the baptism of the Holy Ghost. In this two weeks' revival four were received in the Church.—Scott Beckett.

### 15 WERE SAVED

BENTON, Ill. (Feb. 13)—Brother D. E. Boatwright left here Monday a. m. after three weeks of service here in giving out the real gospel. The devil raged, but in spite of him the Word went forth with much force. About fifteen were saved and some few received the Holy Ghost. God's children were greatly revived, for they were fed on the real Word of God. Pray for the work here.—Harley Chaplain.

### THE COMING OF JESUS

#### We Are Watching And Waiting For The Meeting In The Air

S. W. Latimer

"Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors." Matt. 24:32, 33. We learn from this that Jesus referred to the Jews and their return to the Homeland. This is being fulfilled as we see the Jews returning to their homeland by the thousands. After the destruction of Jerusalem by Titus in the year of our Lord 70, the Jews were scattered: all over the world, in every nation, but today, and for several years past, they have been returning to their homeland. The land is producing fruits in abundance. During the exile of the Jews, the drought in the land, all vegetation and fruits were destroyed. We are told that this is now the greatest country in the world, so we see that this prophecy has been literally fulfilled.

Some tell us that Jesus' coming back again will not be a literal, visible return. In order that we might more thoroughly understand His coming, it is necessary to give the Scriptures. "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first." 1 Thess. 4:16. We see that it says He shall come Himself and that He shall shout and the dead will hear His voice. "Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth." John 5:28, 29. This shows that at His coming He will have power to raise the dead. "Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." 1 Thess. 4:17. So we see that He will have power to gather from the earth those who are alive and ready to meet Him in the air. This surely will be one of the greatest events that has ever taken place in this world.

Of all the great blessings that Jesus brought to the world, He being able to heal the sick, open the blind eyes and raise the dead, He said to His followers, The things that I do ye shall do, and greater things also shall ye do, because I go to my Father. When we think about the accompanying of the Holy Ghost the miraculous blessing, the speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, it is a wonderful thing, and by many it is counted unreasonable, but I thank God for the blessing. Think of that wonderful time when Jesus will come in mid-air and raise those who have died in Christ, gather those to Himself who are ready to meet Him, give us our glorified bodies and take us away from the great tribulations that shall come upon this earth to try men. And He says, "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man." Luke 21:36. "Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast." Isa. 26:20. These Scriptures show plainly that Jesus will take from this earth those who are fully trusting in Him and filled with all the fullness of God, and with His great power He will also raise the dead who have died in Christ and take them to Himself.

Some teach that the coming of Jesus is at death, that after we have lived in this world and have passed away, we go to our Heavenly Father, and they will tell you that this is what is meant by the coming of Jesus. But this cannot be true. We go to paradise and there live in peace and joy until He comes again. Let us compare a few Scriptures and use the word death and see how that would sound. For death shall come in the glory of his Father. Matt. 16:27. When death shall sit in the throne of his glory. Matt. 19:28. Hereafter shall ye see death sitting on the right hand of (Please Look On Page Two)



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## EDITORIALS

We are now ready to fill orders for the 2d Quarter Sunday School literature. Please favor us with an early order. At the last days of the Quarter we are so rushed that some of the schools have failed to get their literature in time. Please send us your order in time so that the literature may reach you by the last Sunday in March.

Since last report we have received one hundred and sixty-six subscriptions and renewals to the Church of God Evangel.

We are expecting those who love the paper to continue to work for her. Remember that we offer the paper in club rates—3 yearly subscriptions at one dollar each.

## THE COMING OF JESUS

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power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Matt. 26:64. Now you can see from this changing of the Word that Jesus' coming does not mean death, but it means eternal bliss and joy to those who are ready for His coming. His first coming did not mean death to the Jews. The Jews did not so understand it. Now, if the prophecies were literally fulfilled that prophesied of His first coming, why shouldn't we believe that His coming to catch away His own, will be literal?

We here give you a few Scriptures of His first coming: "Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign: Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel" (which means "God with us"). Isaiah 7:14. According to Bible chronology, this was fulfilled 742 years before His birth. In Micah 5:2 we read, "But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me." This was prophesied 710 years before Jesus' birth. "Thus saith the Lord, A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, and bitter weeping: Rachel weeping for her children." Jer. 31:15. This prophecy was prophesied 606 years before His literal appearance. "He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and he hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted." Isa. 53:3,4. Read verses 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9. You will find that these Scriptures have been literally fulfilled. This was prophesied 712 years before Jesus made His first advent into the world.

Now if these Scriptures have been literally fulfilled, why shouldn't we look for the literal fulfillment of the Scriptures that plainly teach His second coming to catch away His Bride? As we read in Daniel's prophecy, the final time of the end, He gave the exact number of years of the first exile. He told of the captives and their being carried away, also prophesied of their return and gave the exact number of years as to their being in exile and just when they would return. In prophesying of the fulfillment of the birth and manifestation of Christ, he does not give the exact number of years. It is an indeterminate period. There is not a verse in the Bible that will tell us the exact number of years from the crucifixion until the return of Christ, but Jesus said, "Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh." Matt. 25:13. "Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." Matt. 24:44. We see from these Scriptures that Jesus gave warning to be ready and watch for His coming.

We have seen all the prophecies of Matt. 24, literally fulfilled concerning storms, earthquakes, wars, rumors of wars, nation rising against nation,

## GENERAL ADVICE

Having been asked by some of our state overseers who are very considerate and who wish to take right steps in everything, to write an article of general advice, I will endeavor to do so, and at the same time will be careful not to give anything that has not been decided on in our General Assemblies.

Sometimes our ministers forget and sometimes they become dilatory and at other times they perhaps try to excuse themselves on some points, but it is our duty to abide by the Word of God.

I will say in the beginning of this article that not all of our evangelists have sent in their papers for renewal and I would like to inform you that your 1928 license are void, and you evangelists that serve as pastors, are really without authority to solemnize the rights of matrimony because of failure to have your license renewed, and I would ask all evangelists to please attend to this matter at once.

By looking over the records I find also that some are not as prompt as they should be and the Assembly has decided that those who fail to report should make confession, ask forgiveness, and begin reporting. See 20th Assembly minute, page 39.

Just a word with reference to holding church conferences: This is really the duty of the district pastor and he should either do it himself or authorize the pastor in charge to do so. These conferences should be held quarterly, or any time necessity demands. In recommending people to the ministry, it should be remembered by the one in charge of the conference and the male brethren, that no one should apply for license in the Church of God if they have not the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and those who are recommended for bishops and deacons, it is required of their wives that they have the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.

It is also required of all of our ministers, that they pay tithes. For reference we would cite you to the 22d Annual Assembly Minutes. On page 29 of said Minutes we read the following: "Since we do not license or ordain applicants for the ministry unless they pay tithes, we recommend that they be required to pay tithes in order to retain their license," and of course if our ministers refuse to comply with this decision or show self-will on that line it becomes the duty of the State Overseer in conjunction with the General Overseer, to recall their papers.

Some ministers may say, "My income is so small, and I have some debts that ought to be paid," and perhaps they have had sickness in their homes and on that ground they make themselves believe that they are excusable. Of course it would be well if overtaken by sickness or hard times, to notify the State Overseer of your troubles, and

then promise that you will pay as soon as you can, but they are not exempted from paying tithes on these grounds and if ministers refuse to meet the conditions on that line, their papers can be recalled and they should not think hard of this if their papers are recalled.

While I am on this subject I will also state that if the credentials of ministers have been recalled, and he is disfellowshipped from the Church and later on repents, makes wrongs right, he must come the same way as though he had never held credentials before, and he cannot be given a higher position than he had before he was disfellowshipped from the church.

The question may arise in someone's mind about laymembers paying tithes, and whether or not it is a test of membership. To this I will say that the Assembly has never made tithe-paying of laymembers a test of fellowship, but they should love the Lord and His cause enough to give Him that part which belongs to Him. Each member is advised to pay their tithes into the local treasury where their membership is, and it is a teaching of the Church that members tithe. When we came into the church we promised the Lord that we would take the New Testament for our only rule for government and discipline, and the whole Bible rightly divided, and it surely is a teaching of the Bible that people pay tithes. Usually when people fail to pay tithes and lose the victory, about the next thing we hear of them, is fault-finding, complaining at the preacher or someone else. There is no record in the Word of God that contradicts the tithing system, and from Abraham's day to the establishing of the Church, it was a practice of God's people to give the tenth, and if we want to be happy and successful in the Christian life, I am sure we must not fall short of the standard. I trust that this advice will be accepted with the same spirit as it has been written.

I wish to remind the pastors that the Mission Board, at the last General Assembly, decided that each local church should raise 5 per cent of the amount of tithes paid into each local treasury, for missions. That is, if the church pays \$100.00 tithes a month, they should raise \$5.00 a month for missions. Two and one half percent of this should be sent to the State Treasurer and two and one half percent to the General Secretary at Headquarters. We notice that some of the treasurers are sending all of it to Headquarters, and some of our churches are failing to raise their part for missions. We do earnestly request that the local churches please be prompt in this part of the work. We are greatly in need of money to carry on our mission work.

I am your brother,  
S. W. Latimer, General Overseer.

## ORPHANAGE

A few months ago we spoke about buying a farm for the boys. After looking over the many farms around Cleveland, we purchased a good farm west of town. Several years ago this farm sold for \$15,000.00. The man became dissatisfied and wanted to go back to his old home and the committee purchased the farm for \$8,000.00. We are to pay \$2,500.00 cash. We have four years on \$5,500.00. Now we have received quite a few donations for the farm. We are asking all those who are interested in this work, to put forth a special effort to raise the money to pay the first payment. Of course if the Lord would be pleased, we will be glad to have the money to pay all of it, but we can carry \$5,500.00 of this for four years at a small rate of interest.—S. W. Latimer, General Overseer.

and kingdom against kingdom, famine and pestilence. The 13th verse says, "But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved." How important it is for us to endure in this warfare. We find that so many people have started and have run well for a while but when temptations and trials overtake them, they have stopped and today they are lean in their experience and have lost all their joy and begun to complain and find fault with the Church. I am obliged to believe that they are to blame for their cold and indifferent attitude toward God and His cause. Oh, let us be faithful and watch lest He coming suddenly find us sleeping.

Perhaps you ask, Are not these prophecies to be interpreted spiritually and does not His coming mean their acceptance of Him at conversion and the witness of the Spirit, and does it not mean His reign over the Church? No, not at all. Think for a moment. Do you condemn the Jews for rejecting Christ when He came in such a literal fulfillment of prophecy, and yet you reject the same literalness about His second coming? This is not consistent. "And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father, David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end." Luke 1:31, 32, 33. While we believe Luke 1:31 to be literally true, let us believe likewise in regard to Vs. 32 and 33. Of course these two verses have reference to His coming back to earth to reign a

thousand years. It is very necessary, to rightly divide these Scriptures so that we may thoroughly understand the events that are just ahead of us. I am sure the rapture will be the next great event and it is very plain that we are up to the time of the coming of Jesus. It behooves us as Christians to apply our hearts unto wisdom and do our best to be ready for His coming. Perhaps you say, I do not know much about it and I can't understand it? If so, God's Word is open to you. The Holy Spirit will teach you. He will show you things to come.

I am writing this with the earnest desire of helping someone to more thoroughly understand the coming of our Lord. Will you study it, will you search for yourself? thereby preparing your hearts for the day of His coming. "And He led them out as far as Bethany and while they looked steadfastly toward Heaven, beheld two men stood by them, in white apparel, which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus which is taken up from you shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." Now we are sure that this bears out the coming of our Lord Jesus in the way that He was taken up from His disciples. He also said, If I go away, I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am there ye may be also. In Luke 12:35-36, we read, "Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning; and ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord." Verses 37 and 38, Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when he cometh shall

## Notices And Specials

### SPECIAL NOTICE

On December 22d we received some money from Borobridge, Jamaica, with no name signed or instructions as to what it was for, also on Jan. 8th we received some from Winter Garden, Fla. with no name signed or instructions with it. The amount of it was 50c. We would like to hear from the parties that sent it, telling us where it should be applied. — Book-keeper.

### CORRECTION

In the orphanage report for Jan. 1st to 15th, we had Carrie Kalb credited with \$10.00, when the credit was due Mrs. Anna Schule.

The Church of God at LaFollette, Tennessee wants to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following members by the second Saturday in next month. Some of them have not been heard from in eight years. Please come, or write and let the Church know how you are getting along spiritually. Jack West, Lia Brady, Ina Carson, Minnie Sprengs, Rosa Jester, Gladys Gepson, Ruta Guy, Rebel Graham, Lua Boshars, Julia Rigs, Ludia Gipson, Mary Bashers. This ordered by the church. — Mrs. L. E. Jones, Clerk.

If any one has a gospel tent to rent from one to three months, please notify, — O. L. Williams, Box 505, Maryville, Tenn.

The Florida East Coast camp-meeting is now on at Miami. Good attendance, good singing, and good preaching. The altar work has started off just fine. Every praying person that reads this, please pray for an old time land-slide camp meeting, and harvesting of souls. Watch for a good report, when it is over. — I. G. Roberts.

Brother C. C. Akin and myself will run a revival in Newnan, Ga. beginning March 10th. Brother Akin is from Atlanta. He preached there Feb. 10th. Bro. Akin is an evangelist in the Church of God. Pray for our success. — H. D. McSwain, Sargent, Ga.

To the traveling evangelists: This is a very needy field, and if any one preaching the full gospel will come this way we will assure you of your expenses being paid. We will be looking for you. Mrs. Sidney Smedley, Lawrenceburg, Tennessee.

### JACKSON

On January 10th, 1929 the death angel came and took Mr. H. J. Jackson, Husband of Sister Pauline Jackson. He leaves many sad hearts. His death came by auto accident. His wife and loved ones have my greatest sympathy. — A brother in Christ.—C. E. McAbee.

I take this opportunity of informing my good friends in the dear old U. S. A. that I am working in the Bahama Islands this year. I arrived in Nassau December 22d. My voyage was somewhat unlike that of Brother Thomas' last voyage to Jamaica; the sea was rough and consequently I became seasick, but it did not last long. The next day I felt fine. I have visited four churches since I arrived here and can truly say I found some true blue Church of God people. I like these people and am glad to work with them. We are having good meetings. The Lord blesses these people in the same good way He blesses you people in the States. I will be here at Green Turtle Cay, Abaco most of the time, but those who may desire to write me can address your mail to Box 512 Nassau, N. P. Bahama Islands.

find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. And this know, that if the Goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through."

We see that Jesus was trying to impress upon His followers and all those that should believe on Him, that they should be always ready for His coming. We believe that all the prophecies have been fulfilled with the exception of a few that will be literally fulfilled just as He makes His appearance in the clouds of Heaven, to catch away those who are faithful and true to God. Arise and shine for the light is come and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. If there ever has been a time in this world when God's people should go forth with victory and power and work for the lost, it is now. Oh, let us pray that God will stir His people up and give us victory and power to accomplish the task assigned to our hands, that we may be ready for His coming. Think of the awful tribulation that will be poured out on this world after the rapture when hell will fall on the wicked and destroy them. Come, let us bestir ourselves and put forth every effort so we can be ready to go with Him and escape all these things that shall come to pass and stand before the Son of man.

lands. Hoping this will be the greatest year for all the Church of God people, and sending my best regards and requesting an interest in your prayers, I am, faithfully thy brother in the Lord.—William T. Auten.—P. S. I'll be glad to hear from any of you.

Please notice that G. A. Fore, State Overseer of Kentucky, has moved to Wallers Creek, Ky.

## REQUESTS

I am requesting a special prayer for the healing of my brother's body who lives eight miles from Cleveland, Miss. He is very sick with something like heart trouble. Please pray much for the healing of his body. Pray also for my husband who is in sin, and for my little eight year old boy, who has awful weak eyes and inflamed lids. I know the Lord can heal. — Dina Laughlin, Dora, Ala.

Please pray for M. M. Perry and Mrs. S. M. Norris, of Glen Allen, Ala.

I want the saints everywhere to pray for my body to be healed. For over two years my body has been afflicted and it seems that I cannot get victory over it but only get worse instead of getting better. For ten years I have given my life to the service of the Lord, and have been on the battle field. There has been no sacrifice too great for me to make and no battle too hard for me to fight, but I realize if the Lord doesn't heal me soon I will have to give up the work, and it seems that I can't afford to do that. Pray earnestly for me, Mrs. I. H. Brabson, Marion, Va.

## The Whole Armour Of God is Complete Equipment

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victor in every conquest, and "more than conquerors thru Him that loved us."

### The Helmet of Salvation

The helmet was used to protect the head in time of war and was of such importance that Paul names it as one of the weapons of spiritual warfare. The "helmet of salvation" protects the mind as the "breastplate of righteousness" protects the heart. The heart and mind do not act independently of each other, and therefore, need protection alike. The mind needs protection against delusions, false impressions and evil thoughts entering into it, and by putting on the "helmet of salvation" the Christian is guaranteed such protection. King Ahab did not have such protection or he would not have let the prophets who were actuated by the lying spirit, persuade him to attempt to do what God had said he could not do. The Bible teaches that many false prophets are gone out into the world, and that evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. (See 1 John 4:11 and 2 Tim. 3:13.) This shows that false prophets will be encountered today just as they were in Ahab's day, and that the "helmet of salvation" is essential to the Christian life.

### The Sword of the Spirit

"And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God." Eph. 6:17. The sword is an offensive weapon and is therefore unlike the other parts of the armor. It should be remembered that the Christian must first put on the defensive parts of the "whole armor of God" before taking the offensive weapon. The nation that goes to war before preparing a defense, suffers great loss and is usually defeated in its attempt; but the army that is careful to see that everything is in order before it pitches its battles, is usually successful.

The spiritual warfare should be more carefully prepared for than the carnal, therefore, Paul, whom we may term a great general, names the defensive weapons first, which shows that they should be put on before taking the offensive weapon. We notice that the "sword of the spirit" is the Word of God and is the only offensive weapon to be used in the spiritual warfare. This shows that we need nothing but the Bible to defeat the enemy, if we are careful to first put on the defensive weapons of spiritual warfare before we pitch our battles. Those who take the "sword of the spirit" and run out to preach the Word without first putting on the defensive parts of the "whole armor of God", will be defeated and cause the Word of God to be blasphemed. Some evil malady enters their heart, and they fall into the snare and the temptation of the devil. It may be "fornication or adultery" and they become too intimate with the opposite sex and bring reproach to themselves and the cause they have expounded. "Covetousness" may enter the heart and the love for money, "the root of all evil", will take hold on them till they preach money instead of the gospel. Or it may be "iniquity" that they fall victims to and they become so tricky that they will wrest God's

## THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

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gather around them and lay hands on them and ask God to make the Evangel a blessing to the people. Also, there are thousands on the field who are invoking God's blessings upon her. The Evangel has thousands of friends, and many of them show their love and appreciation by working faithfully for her—they do not forget her.

We are, and have been praying for nineteen years that the Church of God Evangel may continue to spread her wings and carry the good tidings until Jesus may come. May God bless and ever keep her pages clean!

## HE IS COMING BACK AGAIN

CARTHAGE, Miss.—I want to praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost about two years ago, and adding me to the dear old Church of God. I still feel His presence day by day. I know my name is written there. I have one sister who has the blessing. My mother is saved and sanctified and is seeking the blessing. I know Jesus is coming back again, for His Word says He is. I want to live true so I can meet Him with a smiling face. I know if I don't live true to Him, I can't meet Him with a smiling face, for His Word says that sin cannot enter there. We have a Church at Pleasant Hill. We have only a few members but the Lord is blessing us. They have service at our home every Sunday afternoon. Brother J. Scruggs is going to be our pastor this year. Please pray that the Lord will bless this little place.—Your sister in Christ, Mary Lee Gill, (age 13 years old).

Word to gain their point in order to excel others.

"An evil eye" may enter the heart of the preacher who doesn't put on the "breastplate of righteousness" and he will look to the faults in his flock for a text instead of getting it from God. Or he may, on account of the immodest dress of woman, allow himself to gaze upon them with a lustful desire and commit adultery, if the heart is not secured against "an evil eye" entering into it. "But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart." Matt. 5:28.

That awful malady, "pride," has entered the heart of many preachers, causing them to exalt themselves and become so egotistic that they preach themselves instead of preaching Christ. The preacher that has a long string of I's, I's, I's to his sermon has surely forgotten that Jesus said, "He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory." Egotism is a sign of self-exaltation, caused by pride entering the heart of those who fail to take the "breastplate of righteousness" as a defense against the "wiles of the devil" effecting the vital organ.

Those who attempt to preach the Word of God, without "having the loins girt about with truth", will fall a prey to everything that is false. They are blown about by every wind of doctrine and are as fickle as the wind. They try to please everybody and like Ahab, are defeated and in the end please nobody. The preacher who undertakes to use the "Sword of the Spirit" without the "shield of faith", is subject to the "fiery darts of the wicked" and the criticism of those who oppose the Bible, therefore, when persecutions arise for the Word's sake, he is offended, doubts his calling, retreats and brings reproach to the cause.

Those who take the "sword of the spirit" without the "helmet of salvation" are subject to delusion and are sure to be defeated. They listen to everybody's theory and receive every suggestion until their mind is so doped that the seducing spirits have full sway with them. They become cowardly and afraid to defend the Bible and are easily converted into a modernist, evolutionist, atheist, agnostic or some other ungodly truth denying characters. Many who have preached Jesus as the Son of God are now denying His divine birth and are trying to prove that He was a bastard.

The conflict is on, the battle is fierce. What shall we do? Put on the "whole armour of God" and stand against the "wiles of the devil." Amen.

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## A Soul Winner For Jesus

THOMASTON, Ga. (Dec. 21, 1928)—I want to praise the Lord because one day He saved my soul, sanctified and gave me the real Holy Ghost with a Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance according to Acts 2:4. Praise the Lord, I just can't praise Him enough for what He has done for me. I am a young girl, sixteen years old, but O how glad I am that God can really save a young person and take the desire of the world and worldly pleasures out of their hearts and put a desire to live for Him and do His will in them. I ask all that reads this "please pray for me that I might ever stand true and be a soul winner for Him, for that is my whole heart's desire."—Florence Odum, 118 G. Ave.

## FAITHFULNESS

"Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life." Rev. 2:10. Behold, as we study God's Word, it is possible that we deal too lightly with the word "faithful." It surely means much to serve God in faithfulness. That means everything—"little" as well as "big" things.

Someone might say, "I go to church, pay tithes, visit the sick, testify for my Lord, give freewill offerings," but beloved we have much more to be faithful over. When it seems that all the hosts of the world of darkness are turned loose upon us, do we stand true and faithful against the onslaught of the enemy? Do we hear someone say, "What is the use? It seems the devil fights me all the time. We might just as well give up the battle. Everyone is against us, it's no use." But beloved, "be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life."

O let's go on with Jesus. He will see us thru every trial and temptation because He is faithful and just. And then again we see someone that God uses in a mighty way and we might say, "O what is the use? I can't do anything for the Lord." Beloved, be faithful, because we are not working for fame and glory in this life, for this life will be over in a moment's time, and then if we have been faithful unto death we will receive a crown of life. I am persuaded to believe we will not be in Glory three minutes until we will feel our unworthiness. Let us do all we can for the Master while we still have opportunity, and then we can enjoy this bliss, glory, peace and joy in the presence of our God and Redeemer. It seems faithfulness does not look so large until we are tried. We might be able to testify to divine healing when everything is well with us, but beloved when we get down on our beds of affliction, let us remember to be faithful. Because after all when God calls us home there is no more aid in this world any way. So let us be faithful unto death and He will give us a crown of life. That is what we are all working for, after all is said and done. And if we do not receive that crown on that day our whole life and labor has been in vain, so let us be faithful. And then again we labor and pray and it seems as though we do not see anything accomplished much, but God did not say we should be successful, but He did say we must be faithful. So I'm sure if we prove faithful that God will give us the victory. Prov. 22:6 says, "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it. I am sure this is one part of God's Word which is easily neglected. If we will train our children in the way they should go, and keep them under our subjection in our homes, I am sure we could have them under subjection in church. People make their children hold God in reverence in their homes in family worship, instead of letting them run hither and yonder. As we go into God's house to worship, we often wonder possibly why we do not have as good a spirit of prayer as we should have. And as we look up and see children running up and down the aisles, playing, we need not wonder any longer, for I'm sure this is displeasing in the sight of God. Ah beloved, let us be faithful over all things, and God will smile upon our lives and wonderfully bless us. We find in Dan. 3 how Nebuchadnezzar, the king, made a golden image, and commanded that all people should fall down and worship the golden image at the sound of music. Dan. 3:6. And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth, shall the same hour be cast into a burning fiery furnace. Perhaps we think, what an awful command, but nevertheless fire does not stop God's faithful ones. We find the three Hebrew children, they had not their eyes on the flaming burning furnace, but on the living God. They regarded not the king's command, because they knew God was able to deliver from the fiery furnace. But whether they were going to be delivered or not, they were faithful. We find Nebuchadnezzar in his fury, ordering the Hebrew children to be bound and cast into the fiery furnace. Nevertheless I am sure they went there with one end in view, and that was to be faithful unto death. Dan. 3:25. He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose walking in the midst of the fire and they have no hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God. Beloved, the

## Report From Leicesterfield, Jamaica

With a grateful heart and by the grace of God I am able to write unto you this report. The Church at Leicesterfield is having victory in Jesus' name. We thank God for Jesus Christ, who died to rescue us that we might have access to the throne of grace, and who at this time is pleading for us. Though the devil is fighting, we by the grace of God, are living. The times are hard for the people of the world, but we are still enjoying good times in the Lord. We cannot complain of the times for the Lord is having His way with us and we know that the Lord's way is best. We cannot murmur. On the 25th of Dec. we met to worship in Jesus' name. We had a fasting and prayer service conducted by Brother M. Smith, reading for a morning lesson, Psalms 32. After singing a song, the saints testified and confessed. We were encouraged to grow stronger and go deeper with the Lord. Closed with prayer.

On Dec. 26th, we met again. Service was conducted by Brother J. C. Henry, deacon. The lesson was taken from Deut. 28:1-14. The saints testified of their privilege of enjoying salvation the whole year. We at Leicesterfield are still shouting the victory. We are feasting with the Lord and on the living Word.

On the night of Dec. 31st we had our last meeting for the old year. We met in the house of God for worship. Service was conducted by Brother M. Smith, pastor. His lesson was taken from Eph. 6. The Lord is having His way with His people. Privilege was given for testimonies. We are going on in Jesus' name. Brother J. Morgan testified of being saved, and healed by the mighty power of God, without any medical aid. The power of God is manifested in the Church of God at Leicesterfield. Brother Smith gave an altar call and two persons came forward for prayer. Just at the close of the old year these two decided to start a new life with the Lord for the new year. The saints resolved to serve the Lord in spirit and truth. Everything left under the power of God. Pray for us.—C. T. Johnson, clerk.

## IT PAYS TO HOLD ON TO GOD

MENTONE, Ala. (SEPT. 24) — I want to report victory for the Church of God here at Mentone, Ala. Our pastor, Bro. V. N. Mitchell has just closed a ten days' meeting here. The Lord was with us from the very first service, sinners fell in the altar and cried and prayed their way thru to victory. There were four saved, two sanctified, seven received the Holy Ghost, for they spoke in tongues just like the Bible said they would when He came in. Two were reclaimed, and fifteen came into the Church of God, ten followed the Lord in water baptism. Our district pastor, Bro. R. S. Robinson was with us one service and preached a wonderful sermon, his text was, "Have you received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" Also Bro. Nance did some good preaching. The saints were greatly encouraged to press on. It pays to hold on to God. I believe the saints at this place are more determined to hold on to God. The devil said that the Church of God at this place was just about gone down, but Jesus told Peter, "Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Praise the Lord, for the Church of God, and for the blessed Holy Ghost which I feel in my soul just now. —Mrs. H. T. Miller.

devil casts some of us into fiery furnaces today, spiritually speaking, but let us not fear, the same God that delivered the Hebrew children will deliver us today if we are faithful. We find over in Acts of the Apostles how that beloved man, Stephen, preached the Word to the Jews, how it so filled them with wrath that they laid hands on him and cast him out of the city and stoned him. And Acts 7:60 says, And he kneeled down and cried with a loud voice, "Lord, lay not this sin to their charge," and when he had said this, he fell asleep—faithful unto death. Beloved, there may not have been many martyrs thus far in our twentieth century but we never know what the devil will do before the coming of our Lord. But regardless, we must be faithful unto Him who has called us from death unto life. I want to say last but not least, that I feel our dear Brother Lee was a good example unto us in faithfulness. I'm sure he proved faithful in all things God had laid out for him to do, and now he has gone home to glory to receive that crown of life.

Sometimes we are almost discouraged. The way is cumbered and steep; Sometimes the we are spent with sowing. There cometh no harvest to reap. And we faint on the road and falter. As our faith and courage are almost gone, Till a voice, as we kneel at an altar, Commands us take heart and go on. Your humble brother in Christ.—Leslie Cook, McLeod, Montana.



## Interesting Letters From

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## NOTHING TO FEAR WHEN SERVING GOD

—B. T. S.—

I want to praise the Lord for the privilege of writing about our wonderful school. The Lord surely is blessing us. It seems that the very windows of Heaven open up and our souls are blessed with the power from on high. We realize that prayer is the key to Heaven.

This is my second term in school and it is getting better all the time, for which we praise the Lord. It makes my heart sad when I think that the close of another term will soon be here, then we shall have to part, some going north, some south, and some east and west, maybe some will never return again, but we are expecting to hear of them in the great harvest field of life, gathering grain for Jesus.

Words can't express just what I feel in my soul now, when I think of the home that is waiting those who are giving their service to God, their best songs, best prayers, best of life, and all. We have nothing to fear when we are serving God. Luke 1:74, so we are going forth with all our might, to work for Jesus and win lost souls for Him. There has never been a time in my life when I wanted to work for Jesus as I do just now.

I appreciate our teachers. They are doing their best to teach us the Bible and the things that will make us able to go out and tell this lost and dying world about Jesus. Pray for me that I will be a soul winner for Jesus.—Lois McWhorter, 754 Ponders Ave., Atlanta, Ga.

## I WANT TO BE A WILLING WORKER

—B. T. S.—

I want to praise the Lord this morning for the privilege of sending a few words of praise thru the Evangel. I thank the Lord because I'm in Bible School, enjoying the blessings of God. I surely praise Him from the very depth of my heart. I feel like pressing on just now, and being a willing worker for the Lord. I have a desire to do what I can for Him. He has done so much for me. I feel that I owe the Lord more than I can ever pay. I want to live a life that

those with whom I come in contact can see that I am serving the true and living God, and be able to go when the Lord comes or calls. When I walk thru the valley of death I want to be able to say like David, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death. I will fear no evil." Psa. 23:4. Please pray that I will stay true to my Lord and Savior.—Ben Jones, Spring Place, Ga.

## THE WORD IS PRECIOUS

—B. T. S.—

"How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth." Psa. 119:103

The Word is more precious to me than ever before, since being here in Bible School. There is more to the Word than mere reading. Oh! how interesting to read about how God has cared for His children all down thru the ages. Even from the fall of man about 4004 B. C. God has prepared a way that men could get back to Him. The first record we have is of Cain and Abel offering their sacrifices, and from that time we have a record showing that God's people had altars and offered sacrifices for their sins. The children of Israel were in the wilderness forty years and God was with them all the way.

There is a part of the Word that goes to our hearts when we read about Jesus. "Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness." 1 Peter 2:24.

Truly the Psalmist knew what the Word meant when he said, "How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!" It is wonderful when we study and meditate on the Word of God and get our souls fed. Praise the Lord! I thank Him for the Bible School and for the good Spirit-filled teachers who are helping us to rightly divide the Word that we may be able to face the frowning world. My aim is to do my best and know more about the Word. This is the place for young men and women to learn about the Bible. Please pray that God will bless and have His way in my life.—A sister in Christ, Sallie Jones, Crystal River, Fla.

## WHOLE FAMILY HAS THE BLESSING

LENOIR CITY, Tenn.—I want to praise the Lord thru the little paper I love so well. It just suits me. When I take the headache I just lay the little paper on my head and I get relief. I thank the Lord for the great blessing I received fifteen years ago at Hiwassee at Brother W. A. Watters' meeting. I am proud to say that all of my children and my husband have the same blessing. We are trusting the Lord with our bodies. He healed our little boy of fits and I am thanking Him for it. He became very ill one night at midnight. We sent for Brother Dunn and Brother Richard and the power fell and the Lord healed him. They laid hands on him and he was saved and healed that moment. Oh what a wonderful Savior we have! I want every saint of God to pray for me to be completely healed, live true and trust God.—Your sister under the blood.—Lillie Bowers.

## Victory Is Won

CHARLOTTE, N. C. (Mar. 30)—I am praising God for this beautiful plan of salvation. I am glad to say I am saved from my sins, sanctified and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost. I thank Jesus for His mighty healing power. One drop of the blood of Jesus will heal when everything else fails. For the past two years I have been troubled with indigestion. I could scarcely eat any food at all. A few weeks ago the saints prayed for me and the Lord healed me instantly. Thank the Lord!

I thank the Lord for sending Bro. and Sister I. G. Roberts to Charlotte. They are such great workers for the Lord. They are the cause of me giving my heart to Jesus. They have been a great blessing to the saints at this place also. We have a wonderful church here and God is blessing in a mighty way. Many souls have been added to the church since they have been here. We give God the glory and honor for it all. Let us be up and about our Father's business, because the days are evil. Jesus is coming soon and there is so much to be done. Pray for me that I may ever be found true, humble and low down at the feet of Jesus, ready to go when He comes or calls. —Mamie Price, 1109 N. Davidson St.

## Shall The Bride Make Herself Ready

The Word of God speaks about one church, which Christ is coming after, or as a Bride adorned for her husband. She made herself ready, a glorious church, without spot or wrinkle, that it should be holy and without blemish. Where do we stand here? Are we in that church now? Do we contend for that faith once delivered to the saints? Do we all have the New Birth? Do we hold denominations between us? Have we respect of persons or denominations? Have we all been baptized into that body or church? Have we all drunk of that spiritual rock? Have we all been baptized with the baptism Christ will baptize with? Are we hearers of the Word and not doers? Can we say we are doers of the Word and refuse what God has commanded us to do, as loving our enemies, doing good to them that despitefully use us, etc.? People of God, this is high time to awake out of slumber and be ready, for the Church will make herself ready. Are we doing our best to make ourselves ready? If not, we are not in that church. I mean in that glorious Church. Can we say we are all striving for the same place, and be in that one church, when we all believe different by, act different by, worship different by, and all get born again different by, get baptized in water different by, all get sanctified different by, all live holy different by, all see different by? How can this be so? God forbid. It was not so in the beginning of the Church when Christ said, On this rock will I build my church. He did not build different churches or on many rocks, but one church on 'this rock.' They were established in the upper room at Jerusalem with one mind and one accord. Was division among them? Were they all believing different things about the Lord? Was there envy, strife and all such things there at that time? God forbid. Are we looking for our Lord to return to catch away His Bride (Church)? He said He would appear to them that look for Him the second time without sin unto salvation. Remember He says, Without sin. Here we are again against this sin question. He tells us to confess our sin. He is able and just to forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. So friends, why not be clean and sanctified for the Lord's use? He has told us we should live soberly and righteously in this present world, and also be holy in all conversation and godliness. He also tells us to lift up holy hands without wrath and doubting. We should present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy acceptable unto God, and be unspotted from the world. So then, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. It is like precious ointment upon the head. This ointment is the Holy Ghost of the New Testament time. Because Jesus said, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because He has anointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor. He has sent me to heal the broken hearted; to preach deliverance to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind; to set at liberty them that are bruised; to preach the acceptable year of the Lord. Now brethren we should have this same anointing of the Spirit that our Lord had. He says, Are ye able to drink of the cup I shall drink of? and be baptized with the baptism I shall be baptized with? We need not be ashamed or drawn away for if the anointing which we have received of Him abideth in us, we need not that any man teach us, but as the same anointing teacheth us of all things and is no lie and even as it hath been taught us, we shall abide in Him, and now little children, abide in Him, that when He shall appear we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming. So let everyone that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity. Amen.—Luther B. Bennett, 18 Ridge Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

sermons. I was reading a piece in the Evangel when God saved my soul, eight years ago this past May. That night He sanctified me with His precious blood, then in the following August the Holy Ghost came in and talked for Himself. I praise God for this wonderful blessing. I am glad to say that I have been trusting God with my body every since I have been in this way. O how sweet to trust in Jesus! Bless His name! Pray for me.—R. D. Banks.

I want to take this opportunity to thank each of the Bible students, also the good people of Cleveland, for their kindness to me during my prolonged illness there. I certainly appreciate everything you did for me, the sitting up, visiting and especially the many prayers you sent to the throne in my behalf. Surely the Lord will reward you for it. I often think of you and remember how the Lord would bless when we knelt for prayer. I remember each of you students in my prayers. If we never meet each other again on earth, let's be true and loyal to Jesus and do our best to help lost humanity, and meet again on the golden shore of sweet deliverance. I would like to hear from any of you students, if you care to write me. I covet an interest in your prayers.—Your sister in Christ, Elta Williams, Cortez, Fla.

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## 'TIS SWEET TO TRUST IN JESUS

Dear Evangel readers, I wish to sound a note of praise for my Savior who has done so much for me. Truly I can say as the Psalmist David, that the Lord has done great things for me; whereof I am glad. I have so many, many things to praise the Lord for that I could never get through praising Him, but I am glad He knows our hearts, and even our very thoughts and intents, and knows that I have a prayer and praise continual in my heart.

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## PRAYING FOR THE BAPTISM

ORANGEBURG, S. C.—I praise the Lord for relieving me of a suffering which I had in the side of my nose a long time. The doctor said it was a tumor. I prayed so hard for this blessing and promised the Lord I would give Him the glory for it. I have salvation, but haven't the baptism. I am praying and tarrying for it and want all the saints to pray for it and hold out faithful. Pray for my family and afflicted wife. She has rheumatism.—Rob Fagle.

## Backsliders, God Is Calling You

BAUXITE, Ark.—I feel impressed to write a few words to the dear old Evangel, in the way of praising God for the mighty outpouring of His wonderful power. Glory to God! I want to say that Jesus is still blessing His church at New Summit. On the 23d night of January we started a little meeting with our pastor and a brother from Haynes, Ark. in charge. The meeting continued until the 27th and God came down in a mighty way and restored two backsliders to salvation, giving them the blessed Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. They shouted and praised God in the dance. Psa. 150:4. We give God all the praise. Bless His dear name!

Listen, dear backsliders, wherever you may be, God loves your soul and He is pleading with outstretched arms for you. Won't you make up your mind just now to come back home to the Father and feast in the green pastures with God's children? Psa. 23:2. I, one time in my life, was a backslider and I know something about how the devil tempts the backsliders. He will make him believe most anything if he will let him, and will try to make him think he has done or said something that Jesus won't forgive, or try to make him believe he has sinned against the Holy Ghost. I know there is such a thing as sinning against the Holy Ghost, but I knew that I had not. That is the way the devil tempted me before I got back to the Lord. I am so glad that I am back in the fold and I want every one who reads this to pray for me, for I want a closer walk with Jesus.—One who wants to go all the way with Him, E. L. Young.

## Wonderful Revival At Good Hope

NESHOBA, Miss.—Brother Clarence Johnson held a wonderful revival at Good Hope, Miss. four miles from the Watkins Tabernacle and five miles from Philadelphia, west, on the State Highway, at the cross roads. A large attendance was present to hear the Word of God as it went forth with the great power of God. Brother Johnson is a very humble servant of God and preaches under the power of God. They are believing in the Church of God around Good Hope. I feel like there will be a Church of God there in the future. Brother Johnson plans to hold another revival at Good Hope this Summer. I do wish the good Lord would send Brother L. G. Rouse here to help him in the revival. I am looking for a great revival.—Your sister, D. P. Graham.

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## The Need of a Firm Foundation

Today I feel like crying out to God for wisdom. I think Solomon got a glimpse in the future when he chose wisdom, of all things. We, as children of God need wisdom to know how to live, how to act, how to direct our conversation, when to talk and just what to say, that we may not leave a wrong impression on those to whom we would be an example. The thought comes to me, are we less merciful to our fellowmen than we expect God to be to us? We expect great things from God. Has He not the same right to expect great things from us? Are we robbing God? The 3d chapter of Malachi, 8th verse said, Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But we say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Part of the 10th verse, Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, if I will not pour out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it. That is God's promise to man and He can't lie. In the olden days God fed His people by the ravens and rained manna from heaven but those days are passed and today He is working thru His people. O what a privilege that we should be called the sons of God! The Lord is indeed merciful to those who, in ignorance, do wrong. But He expects great things of those who have received much. To whom much is given, of him shall much be expected. Sometimes we are over zealous and think we should be further ahead in the way but we learn we are to grow in grace, and also we are to go on to perfection. Our Lord knows that we will need a firm foundation, one which will not be moved with every wind of doctrine. We have seen people who started in this holiness way with such great zeal they just turned as though a great flame enveloped them, and we thought perhaps, how far they have gone in just a little while! But soon we see that great flame has burned itself out and nothing is left but the ashes of a lost hope. Ours must be step by step; progress slow, but sure. Our prayer to God for His people is that they may grow in grace, and the knowledge of His Word and go on to perfection, even as He is perfect. Your sister in Christ—Edith Wiley.

## Preached Into a Better Experience

STONE BRANCH, W. Va.—I want to thank and praise God for free salvation. I have been saved, sanctified and filled with the precious Holy Ghost which keeps and guides me every day. I'm a member of the Church of God and proud of it. I am certainly proud of the Church of God people. I'm glad I ever found this old, persecuted way. Praise the name of Jesus! I've been saved a year in March and am not a bit tired of the way.

I was in a backslidden state but I was praying for God to send an old time revival at Stone Branch so I would get closer to God and also for God to save precious souls that there might be more workers here for Him. He answered my prayers and sent Brother Robert Hill and Brother Blair. They held a four weeks' meeting and how the Lord blessed and did a wonderful work. Praise His dear name! When the Lord works the devil howls. Hard things were said about us, but we just prayed right on and won the victory. My neighbor women on both sides, were saved during Brother Hill's revival and I thank God for it for they seemed to pull against me when they were sinners and now we get together and have prayer and the Lord surely does bless us.

I always thought the Pentecostal people would preach you out of your experience, but thank God I was preached into a better one. I'm letting the Lord lead me, regardless of what people say. I'm going to walk in the light as I receive it. We have a church organized here with about twelve members besides other members from other places. Brother Scaggs is our pastor and I believe he is a man of God. We have a fine Sunday School organized, and have prayer meeting every Wednesday night. The Lord meets with us and pours out His Spirit on His dear children and makes us shout, dance and talk in tongues. It is enough to make us shout to know our sins have been forgiven and we are on our way to Heaven. Thank God! I feel stronger and closer to God every day that I live. I want to be wholly centered in God's will. I love the good Evangel. It is food to my soul. I want every one who knows the worth of prayer to pray for me that I may do more for the dear Lord in the days to come than I have in days passed and forever gone. May God bless all of His believing children everywhere.—Mrs. Waldo Beugel.

## ASK IN FAITH BELIEVING

CLAYTON, Ga. (Dec. 4, 1928) — I am praising the Lord for salvation. I thank Him for the many things He has done for me and my family. I thank Him for the sweet peace in my home; a home where Jesus is. I am glad we can trust in Jesus who is able to do all things. He has healed in my home so many times. I know Jesus

## Joy Was Turned Into Condemnation

SOMERSET, Pa. (Dec. 24) — I want to sound a note of praise for my Saviour this afternoon. I am saved from sin, sanctified by the blood of the Lamb and baptized with the precious Holy Ghost and feel His Spirit abiding within right now. I want to go thru with Him regardless of what the cost may be. I may not be a preacher, but if He wants to use me I am willing to help the preacher. I promised God when I was seeking Him I would do what He wanted me to do, but after I was received and made one of them I failed in my promises. God let me sing, shout and dance and talk in tongues and enjoy my 'full and free salvation' for some time, but at last my joy turned into condemnation. Some of the brethren and sisters would wonder what was wrong with me. I tried to hide my condemnation but I could not. Every service was just the same to me—arrows were pointed at me from every corner, and I tried to get away from them but I could not. I would try to pray and at times I would have a good spirit of prayer, then all at once I would feel cut off from God. The same way in song service, I had no song. The same way in reading the Word, I would enjoy the Bible until the word that I was condemned on came before me, then I was found guilty once more of not filling my promise to God. Everything I tried to do or every place I went, the same thing happened and I was condemned again. Ah friends you can't imagine how I was tormented and worried all because I failed to serve God as I had promised. At last the condemnation changed to joy and happiness, praise the Lord. I was shown in a dream just what to do or God would get His one tenth out of my net income. I dreamed I was sick three weeks, then went to work; I worked two weeks then was in bed sick two more weeks, making a total of five weeks of sickness in one year, enough time lost to amount to my tithes for one year alone, without the suffering and untold agony of sickness. But thank God for showing me what He did when He did. I started to obey the Word by giving one tenth of my net income, and praise God, I can now sing, shout, dance and speak in tongues and do not feel any condemnation. The stronger the Word comes forth now the more I can shout and say amen.

I want to add to this testimony, for the benefit of anyone who may read it, when you feel condemned on any one thing and the Spirit is striving with you to obey, let it be what it may, or it matters not how hard it may seem to you, do it. You had better obey God for He is not mocked. To them that knoweth the Word and doeth it not, to them it is sin. I wish I could get on a mountain top and tell this to the world, so they all might know what it means to be guilty of not obeying the Word, and also what blessings follow where we do obey. I want to thank God for the Church of God at Somerset, Pa. We are having some good meetings here and are looking forward at this time for a revival to break out in this town for there are a lot of hungry souls here at this time. I thank the Lord for sending Bro. Kimbell and family here, they came here from the State of Maine, and we all love our pastor and family, and ask every saint to pray that God can and will use them here in His work. God is a witness to this testimony, and all the glory be unto Him. Praise His name! Pray for me that I may ever stay humble at the foot of the cross and do the will of the Father who is in Heaven. Pray for my family.—Geo. H. Sabin.

## Remedies Refused

LENOIR CITY, Tenn. (Dec. 24, 1928) — I want to sound a note of praise to God this morning for the blessed Holy Ghost. I am a little girl twelve years of age. I received the Holy Ghost when I was ten, and I am trusting the Lord for the healing of my body. I have a very bad sore on one of my lower limbs which reaches around it, and has been there about five months. It is very bad. I have had prayer for it several times. People have suggested several remedies to me. I have not used any of them, for I mean to trust the Lord, for I know He can heal all manner of diseases, bless His name! I praise Him this morning for what He is to me. All who know the worth of prayer, pray for me. Pray for my father and brothers who are in sin that they may be saved and receive the Holy Ghost before it is too late. Your sister in Christ — Oleva Martin.

can heal for He has been our healer for about twelve years. All we have to do is to ask in faith and He is ready to answer, praise His name! I have five little children who have never taken a dose of anything, they do not know anything except to call for us to pray for them. The Lord has healed them so many times. We cannot thank Him as much as we want to. I promised Him if He would heal me last night I would testify of it. Please pray for me and for my family. We need your prayers. Your sister. — Mrs. I. F. Miller.

## OBITUARIES

### LOWE

On Jan. 14, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Brother Tom Lowe and took for its victim his dear wife, Matilda Lowe, born Dec. 27, 1882. She was united in marriage to Thomas Lowe in the year 1902 and to this union were born five sons and five daughters. Two of these preceded her to the other shore and she leaves to mourn her departure a husband, eight children, three brothers, one sister, a mother and a host of friends. She has been a faithful Christian for about eight years. Thru her suffering she was faithful to the end. Altho we hated to give her up, we feel that our loss is Heaven's gain. The funeral was preached by Sister E. O. Sells and the body laid to rest in the Crooked Creek Cemetery. — H. W. Carter, clerk.

### MEADOWS

Sallie E. Meadows, beloved wife of Lon Meadows, was born Jan. 3, 1877 and died Feb. 12, 1928, age fifty years, one month and nine days. She was a member of the Baptist church during the first part of her life, later uniting with the Church of God. She was a live member until death called her away. She leaves a husband, nine children, five brothers, two sisters, and many brothers and sisters in Christ besides a host of friends to mourn her loss. She was a faithful wife and devoted mother. While the loss here is greatly felt, it is a great comfort to believe without a doubt, that her soul is resting safely with Jesus our Lord. — Sister Focie Hawks, St. Albans, W. Va.

### MAYFIELD

Melvin Pearl was born Dec. 2, 1928 and departed this life to be with Jesus Jan. 4, 1929. His stay in this world was very short indeed, and it may have seemed hard for his parents to give him up, but their loss is Heaven's gain. They trusted the Lord till the end and if they are faithful they may look for little Melvin Pearl on the other shore where sad partings come no more. Truly a friend, M. E. Drake, Brownfield, Texas.

### DINGESS

On Jan. 14, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Sister Alice Dingess and claimed for its victim her beloved husband, Brother Charley Dingess, age sixty years, five months and fourteen days. He was sick for almost five years but he was patient until the end and never complained at all. He always had a kind word for all. He professed Christ for eighteen years and was a member of the Church of God at Logan W. Va. He was the oldest member we had in the church and was a father to all. He was a faithful member, good husband, loving father and a good neighbor, and had many friends. I believe the Lord saw him suffer enough and said, well done, thou good and faithful servant, come up higher. He leaves to mourn his death a wife, two boys and three girls, twenty-six grandchildren and a host of friends. The funeral was conducted by our pastor, E. O. Sells. Brother J. T. Wyatt, had charge of the body and it was laid to rest in the Mitchell cemetery. — H. W. Carter, clerk.

### FRAZIER

On December 4th, 1928 the death angel came and claimed Mrs. Frazier. She was loved by all who knew her, she was a true child of God. She leaves to mourn her death a kind husband and four girls and two sons, and lots of relatives. Sister Frazier was born July 17, 1873 and died Dec. 4th, 1928. She was fifty-five years, four months and seventeen days old when she was taken away. Home is so sad since mother has passed away, but we have hopes of meeting her again. Funeral was conducted by Brother Moore and laid to rest in the Adair cemetery. One who loved her. — Ena Crow.

### PERRY

The death angel visited the home of my son on Jan. 21, 1929 and claimed him for its victim. He said that all was well with him and he was ready to go to be with Jesus. He leaves to mourn his death, a wife, one child, a father, mother, three sisters and a host of relatives and friends. He wasn't a member of the Church of God, but was a strong believer in true holiness.—Edness E. Perry, wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Perry, father and mother, Forrest City, Ark.

### LEQUIRE

The death angel visited the home of Mr. A. M. Lequire on Jan. 5, 1929 and took his loving wife, Mrs. Euna Stanley Lequire, home to be with Jesus. She was a devoted Christian wife and mother, age thirty-two years and four months. She had suffered for five years with T. B. but bore her suffering with patience, never murmuring or complaining. She had a smile for every one that met her. She often talked of being ready to go. Everything was done for her that loving hands could do, but God saw best to call her home to be with Him. She leaves to mourn her departure a husband, two sons, Flavus Lee, age twelve years and Freelan Stanley, age

ten years, four sisters, one brother and a host of relatives and friends. We miss her but we weep not as those who have no hope for we expect to see her again where partings come no more. She requested them to sing "Rock of Ages", because a Christian has such a struggle, and "Home of the Soul" and "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere", because she was going somewhere, also "I shall See Him Face to Face", because she was going to see him face to face. She was laid to rest in the Resthaven cemetery.

My dear ones, prepare to meet me On that eternal shore, Where we can be with Jesus And partings will be no more.

I have fought the battle wisely, My trials here are o'er; I have said farewell to troubles And gone to the other shore.

So dear children, remember mother And don't forget her prayers, And when we are gathered together yonder Then you can be with me there.— Her sister-in-law, Mrs. J. H. Lequire.

### MULKEY

On Jan. 17, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Mrs. Annie Mulkey, 1328 Ligon St., Anderson S. C., and claimed her daughter, Miss Birtha Mulkey, age thirty years. She was rooming with her mother. On the 18th her mother, after cooking breakfast, went to her room and found her dead. She leaves to mourn her death, her dear mother, 1 sister, 1 brother and a host of other relatives. She was laid to rest in the Silver Brook cemetery, beside her father and two brothers.

We miss you, Birtha, here on earth, also your smiling face. I hope to see you again and hear Him say, Enter into the joys of the Lord.—One who loved her, Pauline Jackson, Walhalla, S. C.

### DUNN

On the morning of Jan. 26, 1929 the death angel visited our home and claimed its victim our little darling, Agnes Irene, only ten months and twenty-nine days old. She was born Feb. 28, 1928.

She was only a bud here but will bloom in Heaven. We loved her so dearly but Jesus loved her best and took her home to be with Him. She leaves a father, mother, one grandfather, three brothers, three sisters, two half sisters and a host of other relatives to mourn her death. The funeral was conducted by our beloved Brother Ralph Coulter, and her body laid to rest in the Pleasant View cemetery. I want you to pray that the family circle will be unbroken in Heaven.

Sleep on, dear one, and take your rest, Until we meet again in the land of the blest;

With Jesus there we will ever be, And rest with Him in eternity; We will see our Saviour over there, And evermore His praise we'll share.—Her broken-hearted father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Dunn.

## THE LORD BROUGHT US THRU

EUPORA, Miss. (Dec. 18, 1928) —

I want to sound a note of praise to the Lord for all His goodness to me. He gave me the Holy Ghost seven years ago. He healed my son of meningitis, that same year I had fever, and I know the Lord wonderfully healed me. Three of the children had the fever too and I know the Lord brought us thru. My baby had diphtheria in October, we called for the doctor and he said it was the worst case he had experienced. I fasted and prayed until he was all right. I was seriously ill about five weeks ago; could hardly talk, and I told my husband to pray for me. To-day I was praying and asking God and I have so much sickness, and it came to me that I should testify of His goodness. Please pray for me that I may be healed, as I am not well at this writing. Let us pray more for one another, and I'm sure if we will do this there will not be so much backsliding. Let us not think of the worldly things, but keep our minds on heavenly things. We cannot hold to God with one hand and to the world with the other. We will surely have to turn loose of one. — Mrs. T. T. Cooper.

## Almost Like Heaven When We Believe

MT. PINSON, Ala.—I just want to write a letter to the Evangel. I always wanted to take a part with God's people. There is no Church of God at this place and I am asking the Lord to let me live in a community close to the saints and the Church of God. Pray for me. I have seven children and a husband. I ask the saints to help me pray for them, that their souls will be saved. I have a sister who has been paralyzed many years, also other loved ones. Pray for them. I have had the baptism of the Holy

## WE SHALL REAP WHAT WE SOW

Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap. Gal. 6:7. We know that it is a law of nature that we shall reap what we sow. We see every day that men reap what they sow. It was so with Jacob of old when he took his brother's blessing then he deceived his old father (Isaac) and no doubt thought he would never reap the seed he had sown that day but nevertheless in a process of the time the thing came back to him. When he was about to get married his father-in-law deceived him, and gave him the wrong girl for his wife, after he had worked seven long years for Rachael. See Gen. 29. Surely he reaped what he had sowed a few years before. Then we see where David took Uriah's wife for his wife, see 11 chapter of 2d Samuel, then had her husband killed. We see that he had trouble in his home - his little son died, then his children seemed to give him great trouble, which made David cry and weep, also pray. We notice in Ps. 12:51 where he prayed for the Lord to restore unto him the joys of salvation. He was not joyful because he had sowed to the flesh, and we are told in Gal. 6:8 He that soweth to the flesh shall reap corruption. I believe that we shall all reap just what we sow. I have reaped some things in my short life that I sowed in my early days, and we can rest assured that whatsoever we say or do that is not right, it will return to us again sometime. Read Ecc. 11:1, Cast thy bread upon the waters, for thou shalt find it after many days. I believe there is no thought, word or deed that is finally forgotten. We notice that the rich man when he went to hell he took his memory with him. See Luke 16:25. He sowed to the flesh in his life time, but it finally came to him to reap the seed he had sown. So men and women may laugh and mock at the Bible and those who preach it, but it will surely meet them again some day, and they may reap more than they sow, for they have sown the wind and they shall reap the whirlwind. Hos. 8:7. O if we could only realize that we shall reap what we sow I believe we would be more careful how we conduct ourselves. I have read of a man who was old and feeble and could not walk without the aid of a cane. When he would eat his food he would sometimes spill some of it on the nice tablecloth; sometimes probably break a dish because he was old and nervous. The son had married a young wife who did not appreciate the trouble she was having with the husband's father, so they made him a wooden plate to eat out of and they would not let him eat at their table, then later on they decided they would take the old man to the poor house where they would not be bothered with him. On his way he became very tired and had to rest. He, the son and Johnnie sat down on a large rock. Then little Johnnie took his knife out and began to make some marks on the large rock where they were sitting. The father of the little son said to the child, "what are you doing son?" The little boy replied, "Papa I am marking this rock so that when I start to the poor house with you that I will remember the time we carried grandpap." The young man thought that if he should be treated by his child as he had treated his father that he would take the old man home. From then on the old man had the best of food and was taken care of. So we shall reap just what we sow. If we are cross and ugly to our dear parents, by and by we shall have children who shall treat us that way. So many go on from day to day, not thinking that they shall reap what they sow.

I remember that when a boy, my father would have me plant beans or peas. To get rid of them I would plant more than he said, then in a few days they would come up, telling on me, and what I had done. I would throw a little stone in the mill-dam which would cause a little ripple, then it would get larger and larger till it reached across the dam, so it is. People say, Boys must sow their wild oats, but I will tell you it is an awful thing to reap those wild oats. Not long ago I was at the chain gang works where I saw boys in young manhood and saw them in chains with striped clothes on. They looked so sad and pitiful. One young man who had a lovely wife and sweet little boy, they seemed to love him so and he loved them but they had to separate with tears in their eyes. It all looked so sad to me, to take their privilege that way. When I asked the boy who was with me, he showed me the boy who had stolen a mule, also one who had killed a man. He kept on telling me what they had done, then I began to see where they were reaping what they had sown a few days before. I believe if I want folks to love me I will first have to love others. If I want good neighbors I will be obliged to make the other fellow a good neighbor. I believe God sees me and knows just what I do and say and I have

reaped some things already, so I want to be careful how I live, talk and act for we shall surely meet it again some day. I know some higher critics do not believe this, but I do believe the good old Bible. I believe that whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap. Pray for me to sow righteous seed. Your brother.—J. B. Weeks, Cairo, Ga.

Ghost and have been sanctified. Praise the Lord! It is almost like Heaven even in this world, when we obey God's Word. I thank the Lord for the Evangel. It is a blessing each time it comes to me.—M. E. Hodges.

## Hungry to Hear the Gospel

FISK, Mo. (March 27) — I got my paper down to read it, and just felt like I should write a few lines and tell you how my blessed Saviour is helping me. I am saved, and am trusting the Lord for all things. I have been sick, but did not take any medicine. The Lord healed me. Listen, this is what I am impressed to tell you—my daughter came to visit me Saturday night, and she had neuralgia in her teeth and head. When she came she was taking medicine, but it did not do any good. She suffered all night, and the next morning it seemed like she could not bear the pain. I told her the Lord healed me, and I was asking her if she wanted mamma to pray for her? Her husband and mine are as wicked as can be and are against Pentecost, but they were in my room talking. I was cooking dinner and she was in a little back room from the kitchen. I just quit my dinner, and went in where she was. O how she was suffering! I closed the door, fell on my knees by her, laid the Evangel on her head and began to pray. She was weeping when I went in. I said, "Lord if you will heal my child, I believe it will make a believer of her." I prayed and then went back to finish cooking dinner and did not hear her making any more noise. When I went back to see how she was, she was asleep. I did not wake her. After we had eaten dinner she got up and came in and said "My teeth and head are easy for the first time since Thursday." I praised God and told her to thank the Lord for what He had done. She left and went home and said she did not have a pain. I told the Lord I would write and tell the saints how the Lord answered prayer. Pray that I may receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I need power. My home is a wicked home. My husband is angry every time I get my paper, that is, when he gets it out of the postoffice. I don't ever get to go to church, and I get hungry to hear the gospel preached and to be with God's people, but I am determined to live for Jesus. He has done so much for me. A sister in Christ. — Mrs. Dora Green.

## LOOKING FOR THAT CITY

BOONEVILLE, Miss. (Sept. 17) — I want to say to the saints everywhere that God is still confirming His Word with signs following. Brother G. D. Jones from Red Bay, Ala. has just closed a revival at this place and I have been in the way for eight years and I believe he is the best I have ever heard. God surely does bless and use him for His glory.

One night of the service a serpent was brought and God was there to own and to bless. Bro. Jones, under the power of God, handled it. It bit him, but no harm. I was feeling good in my soul, and rejoiced in the dance to know that there were still a few that "believe." Of course, the devil told a few stories about it, but he has always done that. Four were saved, two sanctified and four reclaimed. Nine baptized in water and six added to the church. Bro. Jones got the church in line and she is shining. I could mention lots of things, but the little paper is too small. God alone can tell the good that was done. Your brother as ever, looking for that city whose builder and maker is God. — W. C. Mize, Clerk.

## Different Members Of The Family Healed

ABILENE, Tex. — I want to sound a note of praise to-night for my dear Saviour and His great healing power. He has healed me of an abscess of the stomach, also healed my little girl of a bad cold cough.

I promised the Lord one night while my baby was coughing if He would heal her I would write to the Evangel, and I am praising Him to-night. I am glad I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the precious Holy Ghost and belong to the Church of God. I want all who read this to pray for my dear mother to come into the Church; she has the Holy Ghost but does not belong to the Church of God. Pray also for my dear father, brothers and sisters, that are out in sin, pray also for husband and I to keep humble at Jesus' feet and raise our little girl aright. A sister.—Mrs. Maude Tedford.

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